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Bureau of Investigation
Office of the Director

January 29, 1958

Mr. Lawrence R. Houston,
General Counsel,
Central Intelligence Agency,
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Houston:

This will acknowledge your letter of January 7, 1958 and enclosures regarding the Best Universal Lock Company, Inc., of Indianapolis, Indiana, and the California Intelligence Agency, of Oakland, California.

With respect to the practices of Best Universal Lock Company, Inc., the information submitted will have our prompt attention with the view of developing the necessary information in order that it may be determined whether corrective action by the Commission is warranted under the laws it administers. We will be glad to inform you of the final outcome.

With respect to the California Intelligence Agency, the information furnished indicates that this concern is engaged in furnishing local investigative services in Oakland, California and does not appear to be engaged in the sale of any products or goods in commerce. In view thereof, it does not appear that the Commission would have any jurisdiction over the practices of this concern and it is suggested that you may wish to communicate with the Attorney General of California or other law enforcement agencies in that State.

Your interest in referring these matters to us is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

4 February 1958

The original of this was sent to

this date.

Harry A. Babcock,
Director,
Bureau of Investigation.

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